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Dear FCC,

Net neutrality, the principle that Internet service providers (ISPs) treat all data that travels over their networks equally, is important to me because without it users may have fewer options and a less diverse internet—two top benefits of the internet! A pay-to-play Internet format concerns me since we as the consumers are likely forced into using one search engine, driven to one news source (which may not be accurate), limited by the information available to do research which impacts the progression of science, technology and universities, etc.

The Internet is important to me because, as a University faculty member and administrator, I need to know that there will not be barriers to entry for the new ideas and services that I hope our students bring to the marketplace. Further, in my work with individuals with disabilities, I am increasingly concerned about their access and the future of technology which would maintain and increase access for individuals with disabilities to the internet and internet based resources/technology. If ISP subscribers have an easier time loading websites of existing companies than the innovative products that students and developing innovators will be able to compete or succeed.

In short, I urge you to rethink this action against net neutrality. For the benefit of the nation, please preserve net neutrality and Title II.

Sincerely,

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